

**Sacred Heart School**  
**Grade 2 Course Syllabi**

Religion  
Grade 2

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**Course Description:** Religion in the second grade is designed to prepare the students for the celebration of their two Sacraments: Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. The preparation includes an in-depth study of the parts of the Mass. It also develops the students' awareness of God in their lives.

**Course Content:** Discussion and review of Sacrament of Baptism, preparation and practice for Sacrament of Reconciliation, discussion of the different parts of the Mass, and First Holy Communion preparation and practice.

**General Course Objectives:**

1. Students will recite the Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Angel of God, and Act of Contrition.
2. Students will understand that Reconciliation is Jesus forgiving our sins and the sinner will re-establish their friendship with a loving Father.
3. Students will define the elements of Reconciliation: examination of conscience, contrition, confession, absolution, penance.
4. Students will define the Eucharist as a meal, sharing, celebration, sacrifice, and Jesus' gift of Himself.
5. Students will understand at the Consecration Jesus makes Himself present in the bread and wine as they become His body and blood.
6. Students will celebrate the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Eucharist.
7. Students will recognize that we belong to a parish family.
8. Students will identify the parts of the mass and relates what happens at the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.
9. Students will understand the Bible as Holy Scripture and the Word of the Lord.
10. Students will explain that the Church teaches us to imitate the saints.
11. Students will know that Jesus is the Son of God and came to bring good news.
12. Students will understand that the Holy Spirit can help us make good choices.
13. Students will know that God loves us even when we hurt others.
14. Students will understand we have a choice to do good.
15. Students will explain we sin when we choose not to do good.

16. Students will learn we share what we have with others.

**Course Materials:** Textbook – Blest Are We (2010), Coordinating Music, Projects

**Instructional Strategies:** Whole class discussion, Group projects, Music, Independent learning

**Assessment:** Teacher observation, Class participation, Completion of projects